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Applicant

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AMENDMENT

In response to the Office Action dated August 19, 1999, please amend the aboveidentified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 3, delete lines 18 and 19.

Page 3, line 21, delete the second occurrence of "the".

Page 3, line 22, delete "process according to claim 1 for".

Page 12 delete lines 21/-23.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 68 - 77 without prejudice.

Please amend claim 40 as follows:

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